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16 July 1958

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Resume of OCB Luncheon Resume, 16 July 1958

PRESENT: Mr. Allen, Gen. Cabell, Mr. Cutler, Mr. Gray,
Mr. Harr, Mr. Herter, Mr. McCone, Mr. Smith,
Mr. Sprague, Mr. Staats

1. Possible Cancellation of the Demonstration Shot in the
Hardtack Series

Mr. McCone presented a paper addressed to the Secretary of State, in which the Atomic Energy Commission recommended the cancellation of the presently-planned demonstration shot for UN observers, in the Hardtack series.

The Board recommended to the AEC that the demonstration not be cancelled, for two main reasons: 1) the U. S. , principally through the President, has publicly reiterated on several occasions its willingness to conduct tests of this nature which will be open to foreign observers. To withdraw the invitation at this late date could have an unfortunate effect. 2) Cancellation might lead to an inference on the part of other countries that this country is not making as much progress toward clean nuclear weapons as we had expected to.

The AEC agreed to reconsider its position. It was agreed by the Board that its recommendation in this matter should be provided to the President in the event the Commission decides to recommend to the President that the demonstration be cancelled.

2. NSC 5812/1

The Board then considered a question as to whether the world situation at this time is such that NSC 5812/1, entitled "Wartime

NSC review(s) completed.

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Organization for Psychological Operations," applies. It was agreed that the U. S. is not in a state of general or limited war, within the meaning of that document, and therefore its provisions do not come into effect.

However, it was decided that an ad hoc interagency committee, consisting basically of representatives of State, Defense, CIA and USIA, be established to develop on a contingency basis plans relating to organizational procedures, personnel and technical capabilities. These would be used in the event that conditions in the Middle East should reach a point where the OCB would have coordinating responsibility under NSC 5812/1.

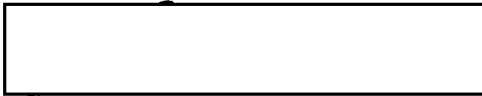
The ad hoc committee is to be instructed to prepare an interim report for consideration by the Board at its next meeting.

3. Hungarian Refugees

The Board noted a report that the Hungarian refugee orchestra has been assured of a permanent home in Germany (either Stuttgart or Nurnberg) as of September 15, 1959, but that funds will have to be obtained from some source to assist this group after September 15, 1958, the date at which the Ford Foundation grant expires.

It was the feeling of the luncheon group that it is important from the point of view of psychological impact abroad to assure continued assistance to the Hungarian orchestra, and the Executive Officer was asked to prepare a statement of the considerations involved.

It was also agreed that the Committee on Soviet and Related Problems should examine the facts involved in connection with unemployment of Hungarian refugees in the U. S. , particularly in the light of recent publicity on this subject.


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(Signed by Gen. Cabell 23 Jul 58)

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